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SUBJECT: JDL INCIDENT AT EGYPTIAN TOURIST OFFICE IN NEW YORK

1. DCM NAHAB CALLED NEA/EGY - MATTHEWS AT 1806 HOURS TO STATE THAT HE HAD LEARNED THAT AT 1600 HOURS TWO PEOPLE HAD ENTERED THE EGYPTIAN TOURIST OFFICE ON FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY. THREW A ROCK THROUGH THE WINDOW, BROKE DISPLAYS AND SCATTERED JDL LEAFLETS AROUND THE OFFICE. INDIVIDUALS THEN DEPARTED. POLICE WERE CALLED BUT ARRIVED TOO LATE TO APPREHEND THE PERPETRATORS AND ARE CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING THE INCIDENT. EGYPTIAN DCM STATED THAT A GUARD HAD BEEN POSTED ON THE TOURIST OFFICE BUT WAS WITHDRAWN LAST WEEK AND ASKED WHY THIS HAD HAPPENED. MATTHEWS

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EXPRESSED OFFICIAL REGRET AND APOLOGIES AND SAID WE WOULD ASK THAT A FIXED GUARD POST BE REESTABLISHED.

2. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO REACH AMBASSADOR GHORBAL URGENTLY, WHO IS AT YALE UNIVERSITY TO GIVE A SPEECH, SO THAT WE MAY EXPRESS OFFICIAL APOLOGIES DIRECTLY TO HIM.

3. DEPARTMENT INFORMED THAT NEW YORK CITY POLICE WERE FORCED TO REMOVE FIXED POST FROM TOURIST OFFICE LATE LAST WEEK BECAUSE OF MANPOWER SHORTAGE. HOWEVER SPECIAL ATTENTION WAS GIVEN TO TOURIST OFFICE INCLUDING HOURLY PATROL. IN VIEW OF THIS INCIDENT, FIXED POST IS BEING RE-INSTATED IMMEDIATELY.

4. DEPARTMENT WILL I AND REGRETS OVER THIS INCIDENT.

5. SUGGEST AMBASSADORS SCALI AND EILTS ALSO EXPRESS USG OFFICIAL REGRETS OVER INCIDENT. INGERSOLL

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